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**REMARKS**

Claims 1 - 10 are in the case. All claims stand rejected. Claims 1 and 7 have been amended to include the as a limitation of the claims that the pore size distribution of catalyst I inhibits sediment formation and promotes asphaltene removal, and that the pore size distribution of catalyst II provides catalytic activity.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. The Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicants' attorney should the Examiner wish to discuss this application further.

Respectfully submitted,



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